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FORM N-2

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 x

(Check appropriate box or boxes)
Pre-Effective Amendment No. o
Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 x
and

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940 x Amendment No. 9 x

OXFORD LANE CAPITAL CORP.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

8 Sound Shore Drive, Suite 255 Greenwich, CT 06830

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including Area Code: (203) 983-5275

Jonathan H. Cohen
Chief Executive Officer
Oxford Lane Capital Corp.
8 Sound Shore Drive, Suite 255
Greenwich, CT 06830

(Name and address of agent for service)

COPIES TO:

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Approximate date of proposed public offering: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

If any securities being registered on this form will be offered on a delayed or continuous basis in reliance on Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered in connection with a dividend reinvestment plan, check the following box. x



EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File Nos. 333-205405 and 811-22432) of Oxford Lane Capital Corp. (the Registration Statement) is being filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), solely for the purpose of filing exhibits to the Registration Statement. Accordingly, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 consists only of a facing page, this explanatory note and Part C of the Registration Statement on Form N-2 setting forth the exhibits to the Registration Statement. This Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 does not modify any other part of the Registration Statement. Pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The contents of the Registration Statement are hereby incorporated by reference.

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PART C OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 25. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

1. Financial Statements

The following financial statements of Oxford Lane Capital Corp. (the Registrant or the Company) are included in Part A Information Required to be in the Prospectus of the Registration Statement.

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2. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
a.1	Articles of Amendment and Restatement ⁽¹⁾
a.2	Articles Supplementary Establishing and Fixing the Rights and Preferences of the Term Preferred Shares, including Appendix A thereto relating to the Term Preferred Shares, 8.50% Series 2017, Appendix B thereto relating to the Term Preferred Shares, 7.50% Series 2023 and Appendix C thereto relating to the Term Preferred Shares, 8.125% Series 2024 ⁽⁵⁾
b.	Amended and Restated Bylaws ⁽¹⁾
d.1	Form of Common Stock Certificate ⁽¹⁾
d.2	Form of Indenture ⁽²⁾
d.3	Specimen 7.50% Series 2023 Term Preferred Stock Certificate ⁽³⁾
d.4	Specimen 8.125% Series 2024 Term Preferred Stock Certificate ⁽⁴⁾
e.	Second Amended and Restated Distribution Reinvestment Plan ⁽⁶⁾
g.	Form of Investment Advisory Agreement by and between Registrant and Oxford Lane Management, LLC ⁽¹⁾
h.1	Form of Underwriting Agreement ⁽²⁾
h.2	Form of Equity Distribution Agreement, dated March 7, 2016 ⁽⁹⁾
h.3	Form of Amendment No. 1, dated November 21, 2016, to the Equity Distribution Agreement, dated March 7, 2016*
j.	Form of Custodian Agreement by and between Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association ⁽⁷⁾
k.	Form of Administration Agreement by and between Registrant and BDC Partners, LLC ⁽¹⁾
1.1	Opinion and Consent of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP ⁽⁸⁾
1.2	Opinion and Consent of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP*
n.1	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm ⁽¹⁰⁾
n.2	Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm on the senior securities table ⁽¹⁰⁾
r.	Code of Ethics*
99.1	Form of Prospectus Supplement for Common Stock Offerings ⁽²⁾
99.2	Form of Prospectus Supplement for Preferred Stock Offerings ⁽²⁾
99.3	Form of Prospectus Supplement for Rights Offerings ⁽²⁾
99.4	Form of Prospectus Supplement for Debt Offerings ⁽²⁾

Filed herewith.

- Incorporated by reference to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-167803) filed on November 30, 2010.
- Incorporated by reference to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-183228) filed on October 5, 2012.
- Incorporated by reference to Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form

 (3) N. 2 (File No. 222, 182222) (51.1) N-2 (File No. 333-183228) filed on June 14, 2013.
- Incorporated by reference to Post-Effective Amendment No. 7 to the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-189805) filed on May 30, 2014.
- Incorporated by reference to Post-Effective Amendment No. 6 to the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-195652) filed on June 19, 2015.
- Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.77Q1 to the Registrant s annual report on Form NSAR-B filed on May 29, 2015.
- Incorporated by reference to Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-195652) filed on September 3, 2014.

2. Exhibits 6

- ⁽⁸⁾Incorporated by reference to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-205405) filed on August 17, 2015.
- Incorporated by reference to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File Nos. 333-205405 and 811-22432) filed on March 7, 2016.
- Incorporated by reference to Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 to the Registrant $\,$ s Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File Nos. 333-205405 and 811-22432) filed on August 22, 2016.

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ITEM 26. MARKETING ARRANGEMENTS

The information contained under the heading Plan of Distribution in the prospectus contained herein is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 27. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION

SEC registration fee	\$58,100 *
FINRA filing fee	75,500 **
NASDAQ Global Select Market	5,000
Printing and postage	120,000
Legal fees and expenses	200,000
Accounting fees and expenses	50,000
Miscellaneous	10,000
Total	\$518,600

Note: Except the SEC registration fee and the FINRA filing fee, all listed amounts are estimates.

ITEM 28. PERSONS CONTROLLED BY OR UNDER COMMON CONTROL

The information contained under the headings Management, Certain Relationships and Transactions and Control Persons and Principal Stockholders in the prospectus contained herein is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 29. NUMBER OF HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

The following table sets forth the number of record holders of the Registrant s common stock at August 17, 2016.

Title of Class

Record
Holders

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

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ITEM 30. INDEMNIFICATION

Directors and Officers

Reference is made to Section 2-418 of the Maryland General Corporation Law, Article VII of the Registrant s charter and Article XI of the Registrant s Amended and Restated Bylaws.

^{*\$45,807} of this amount has been offset against filing fees associated with unsold securities registered under a previous registration statement.

^{**\$53,347} of this amount has been offset against filing fees associated with unsold securities registered under a previous registration statement.

Maryland law permits a Maryland corporation to include in its charter a provision limiting the liability of its directors and officers to the corporation and its stockholders for money damages except for liability resulting from (a) actual receipt of an improper benefit or profit in money, property or services or (b) active and deliberate dishonesty established by a final judgment as being material to the cause of action. The Registrant s charter contains such a provision which eliminates directors and officers liability to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law, subject to the requirements of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act).

The Registrant s charter authorizes the Registrant, to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland law and subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act, to indemnify any present or former director or officer or any individual who, while serving as the Registrant s director or officer and at the Registrant s request, serves or has served another corporation, real estate investment trust, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise as a director, officer, partner or trustee, from and against any claim or liability to which that person may become subject or which that person may incur by reason of his or her service in any such capacity and to pay or reimburse their reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding. The Registrant s bylaws obligate the Registrant, to the maximum extent permitted by Maryland

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law and subject to the requirements of the 1940 Act, to indemnify any present or former director or officer or any individual who, while serving as the Registrant s director or officer and at the Registrant s request, serves or has served another corporation, real estate investment trust, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise as a director, officer, partner or trustee and who is made, or threatened to be made, a party to the proceeding by reason of his or her service in that capacity from and against any claim or liability to which that person may become subject or which that person may incur by reason of his or her service in any such capacity and to pay or reimburse his or her reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding. The charter and bylaws also permit the Registrant to indemnify and advance expenses to any person who served a predecessor of the Registrant in any of the capacities described above and any of the Registrant s employees or agents or any employees or agents of the Registrant s predecessor. In accordance with the 1940 Act, the Registrant will not indemnify any person for any liability to which such person would be subject by reason of such person s willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his or her office.

Maryland law requires a corporation (unless its charter provides otherwise, which the Registrant s charter does not) to indemnify a director or officer who has been successful in the defense of any proceeding to which he or she is made, or threatened to be made, a party by reason of his or her service in that capacity. Maryland law permits a corporation to indemnify its present and former directors and officers, among others, against judgments, penalties, fines, settlements and reasonable expenses actually incurred by them in connection with any proceeding to which they may be made, or threatened to be made, a party by reason of their service in those or other capacities unless it is established that (a) the act or omission of the director or officer was material to the matter giving rise to the proceeding and (1) was committed in bad faith or (2) was the result of active and deliberate dishonesty, (b) the director or officer actually received an improper personal benefit in money, property or services or (c) in the case of any criminal proceeding, the director or officer had reasonable cause to believe that the act or omission was unlawful. However, under Maryland law, a Maryland corporation may not indemnify for an adverse judgment in a suit by or in the right of the corporation or for a judgment of liability on the basis that a personal benefit was improperly received unless, in either case, a court orders indemnification, and then only for expenses. In addition, Maryland law permits a corporation to advance reasonable expenses to a director or officer in advance of final disposition of a proceeding upon the corporation s receipt of (a) a written affirmation by the director or officer of his or her good faith belief that he or she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification by the corporation and (b) a written undertaking by him or her or on his or her behalf to repay the amount paid or reimbursed by the corporation if it is ultimately determined that the standard of conduct was not met.

Adviser and Administrator

The Investment Advisory Agreement provides that, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of its duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of its duties and obligations, Oxford Lane Management, LLC (the investment adviser) and its officers, managers, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with it are entitled to indemnification from the Registrant for any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of the investment adviser s services under the Investment Advisory Agreement or otherwise as an investment adviser of the Registrant.

The Administration Agreement provides that, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of its duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of its duties and obligations, BDC Partners, LLC and its officers, managers, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with it are entitled to indemnification from the Registrant for any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of BDC Partners, LLC s services under the Administration Agreement or otherwise as administrator for the Registrant.

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The law also provides for comparable indemnification for corporate officers and agents. Insofar as indemnification for liability arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act) may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore,

unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

ITEM 31. BUSINESS AND OTHER CONNECTIONS OF INVESTMENT ADVISER

A description of any other business, profession, vocation, or employment of a substantial nature in which the investment adviser, and each managing director, director or executive officer of the investment adviser, is or has been during the past two fiscal years, engaged in for his or her own account or in the capacity of director, officer, employee, partner or trustee, is set forth in Part A of this Registration Statement in the sections entitled Management Board of Directors and Executive Officers, Investment Advisory Agreement and Portfolio Management Investment Personnel. Additional information regarding the investment adviser and its officers and directors is set forth in its Form ADV, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC File No. 801-71654), under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 32. LOCATION OF ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS

All accounts, books, and other documents required to be maintained by Section 31(a) of the 1940 Act, and the rules thereunder are maintained at the offices of:

- (1) the Registrant, Oxford Lane Capital Corp., 8 Sound Shore Drive, Suite 255, Greenwich, CT 06830;
- (2) the Transfer Agent, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., 250 Royall Street, Canton, MA 02021;
- (3) the Custodian, U.S. Bank National Association, One Federal Street, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02110; and (4)the Investment Adviser, Oxford Lane Management, LLC, 8 Sound Shore Drive, Suite 255, Greenwich, CT 06830.

ITEM 33. MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Not applicable.

ITEM 34. UNDERTAKINGS

Registrant undertakes to suspend the offering of the shares of common stock covered hereby until it amends its prospectus contained herein if (a) subsequent to the effective date of this Registration Statement, its net asset value

(1) per share of common stock declines more than 10% from its net asset value per share of common stock as of the effective date of this Registration Statement, or (b) its net asset value per share of common stock increases to an amount greater than its net proceeds as stated in the prospectus contained herein.

2) Not applicable.

(3) Registrant undertakes in the event that the securities being registered are to be offered to existing stockholders pursuant to warrants or rights, and any securities not taken by shareholders are to be reoffered to the public, to supplement the prospectus, after the expiration of the subscription period, to set forth the results of the subscription offer, the transactions by the underwriters during the subscription period, the amount of unsubscribed securities to be purchased by underwriters, and the terms of any subsequent underwriting thereof. Registrant further undertakes that if any public offering by the underwriters of the securities being registered is to be made on terms differing

from those set forth on the cover page of the prospectus, the Registrant shall file a post-effective amendment to set forth the terms of such offering.

(4) Registrant undertakes:

- to file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
- (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933; to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the (ii)most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement; and
- to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement. that, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective
- (b) amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of those securities at the time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof;
- (c) to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering; that, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser, if the Registrant is subject to Rule 430C [17 CFR 230.430C]: Each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 497(b), (c), (d) or (e) under the Securities Act of 1933 [17 CFR 230.497(b), (c), (d) or (e)] as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A under the Securities Act of 1933 [17 CFR 230.430A], shall
- (d) Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use; and that for the purpose of determining liability of the Registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of securities, the undersigned Registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of
- (e) the undersigned Registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned Registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to the purchaser:
- (i) any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned Registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 497 under the Securities Act of 1933 [17 CFR 230.497]; C-6

the portion of any advertisement pursuant to Rule 482 under the Securities Act of 1933 [17 CFR 230.482] relating (ii) to the offering containing material information about the undersigned Registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned Registrant; and

- (iii) any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned Registrant to the purchaser. To file a post-effective amendment to the registration statement, and to suspend any offers or sales pursuant the registration statement until such post-effective amendment has been declared effective under the 1933 Act, in the event the shares of Registrant are trading below its net asset value and either (i) Registrant receives, or has been (f) advised by its independent registered accounting firm that it will receive, an audit report reflecting substantial doubt regarding the Registrant s ability to continue as a going concern or (ii) Registrant has concluded that a material
 - regarding the Registrant s ability to continue as a going concern or (ii) Registrant has concluded that a material adverse change has occurred in its financial position or results of operations that has caused the financial statements and other disclosures on the basis of which the offering would be made to be materially misleading.

 (5)

 Registrant undertakes that:
- For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of the Registration Statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in the form of prospectus filed by the Registrant pursuant to Rule 497(h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, shall be deemed to be part of this Registration Statement as of the time it was declared effective. For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, each post-effective (b) amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to a new registration statement relating to the

(6) Not applicable.

securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

The Registrant undertakes to file a post-effective amendment to the registration statement pursuant to Section 8(c) (7) of the Securities Act of 1933 in connection with any rights offering off of the registration statement that will result in greater than 15% dilution to the net asset value per share of the Registrant s common stock.

The Registrant undertakes to file a post-effective amendment to the registration statement during any period in which offers or sales of the Registrant s securities are being made at a price below the net asset value per share of the Registrant s common stock as of the date of the commencement of such offering and such offering will result in greater than 15% dilution to the net asset value per share of the Registrant s common stock.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-2 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the Township of Greenwich, in the State of Connecticut, on the 21st day of November, 2016.

OXFORD LANE CAPITAL CORP.

By:

/s/ Jonathan H. Cohen

Jonathan H. Cohen Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form N-2 has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant, and in the capacities indicated, on the 21st day of November, 2016.

Signature Title

/s/ Jonathan H. Cohen

Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)

Jonathan H. Cohen

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Chairman of the Board and Director

Mark J. Ashenfelter

*

Director

John Reardon

*

President and Director

Saul B. Rosenthal

*

Director

David S. Shin /s/ Bruce L. Rubin

Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Bruce L. Rubin

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^{*} Signed by Jonathan H. Cohen pursuant to a power of attorney signed by each individual and filed with this Registration Statement on July 1, 2015.